## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA CHARLOTTE DIVISION

Civil Action No. 3:20-CV-710-FDW-DSC

HAYWARD INDUSTRIES, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

BLUEWORKS CORPORATION, BLUEWORKS INNOVATION CORPORATION, NINGBO C.F. ELECTRONIC TECH CO., LTD; NINGBO YISHANG IMPORT AND EXPORT CO., LTD. DECLARATION OF SERVICE ON DEFENDANT BLUEWORKS INNOVATION CORPORATION

Defendants.

- I, Russ Ferguson, declare under penalty of perjury as follows:
- 1. I am an attorney at Womble Bond Dickinson (US) LLP representing Plaintiff Hayward Industries, Inc. in the above-captioned action.
- 2. Service was made on BlueWorks Innovation Corporation by sending the following documents by FedEx Priority Overnight service to BlueWorks Innovation Corporation, care of its Registered Agent: Haoqi Sun to 12245 Nations Ford Road, Suite 501, Pineville, NC 28134:
  - a. Summons issued to BlueWorks Innovation Corporation (Doc. No. 5);
  - b. Complaint (Doc. No. 1);
  - c. Corporate Disclosure (Doc. No. 2);
  - d. Motion for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* for Erik Paul Belt (Doc. No. 3);
  - e. Motion for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* for Anne E. Shannon (Doc. No. 4);

f. Report on the Filing or Determination of an Action Regarding a Patent or

Trademark (Doc. No. 6); and

g. Court's Case Assignment Packet.

3. According to FedEx, the package was delivered on December 29, 2020.

A copy of the FedEx delivery confirmation confirming receipt by BlueWorks 4.

Innovation Corporation on December 29, 2020 is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

5. Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(e)(1) permits service "following state law for serving a

summons in an action brought in courts of general jurisdiction in the state where the district court

is located or where service is made." See also Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(h)(1)(A) (permitting service on a

corporation by "the manner prescribed in Rule 4(e)(1) for serving an individual"). In turn, N.C.

Gen. Stat. § 1A-1, Rule 4(j)(6)(d) permits service on a corporation by "depositing with a

designated delivery service authorized pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 7502(f)(2) a copy of the summons

and Complaint, addressed to the officer, director, or agent to be served . . . and obtaining a

delivery receipt." Thus, service by FedEx Priority Overnight with a delivery receipt, as attached

as **Exhibit A**, constitutes proper service.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the

foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: December 29, 2020

s/ Russ Ferguson

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## **EXHIBIT A**



Dear Customer,

The following is the proof-of-delivery for tracking number: 781979899605

**Delivery Information:** 

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12245 NATIONS FORD RD STE 502 **G.GILBERTE** Signed for by: **Delivery Location:** 

PINEVILLE, NC, 28134 FedEx Priority Overnight Service type:

Special Handling: Deliver Weekday Delivery date: Dec 29, 2020 09:26

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781979899605 Dec 28, 2020 Tracking number: Ship Date:

> Weight: 1.0 LB/0.45 KG

Recipient:

Blueworks Innovation Corporation, C/O Registered Agent: Haoqi sun 12245 NATIONS FORD RD STE 501 PINEVILLE, NC, US, 28134

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